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NOTE VERBALE DATED 25 APRIL 1994 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 19 and 24 April 1994, there appear to have been 21 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as Annex I to this note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 1,612.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(19 - 24 April 1994)

SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING SPEED ALT.
1614	19 Apr	05.14	05.35	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres north of Doboj. NATO fighter aircraft investigated but were unable to make radar or visual contact due to the weather conditions. Contact was lost 20 kilometres northeast of Doboj. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Various/Easterly Unknown 100 knots
1615	19 Apr	05.40	05.45	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres north of Srebrenik. NATO fighter aircraft investigated but were unable to make visual contact. Contact was lost near the border of the No Fly Zone in the vicinity of Bosanski Samaca (35 kilometres northwest of Brcko). The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northwest Low Slow
1616	20 Apr	04.23	05.10	NATO fighter aircraft made radar contact on a track 20 kilometres east of Zenica, which was subsequently visually identified as a white MI-8 helicopter with a blue stripe and red cross. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Variable/Westerly 2000 feet 150-180 knots
1617	20 Apr	10.15	10.35	AWACS made radar contact 45 kilometres east of Zenica. NATO fighter aircraft investigated, but were unable to make visual contact. Contact was lost in the vicinity of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Southwest Low Slow
1618 1619 1620	21 Apr	07.52	07.55	Three camouflaged Gazelle helicopters (one with red crosses) were observed flying from the south into Bosanska Dubica and hovering over their observation point. The three Gazelle helicopters turned south and landed in Bosanska Dubica. These unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North then South Low Slow
1621	21 Apr	09.00	10.00	A helicopter was observed landing in Bosanska Gradiska from the north. At 09.20Z the helicopter was observed taking-off. At 09.45Z AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres west of Bosanska Dubica, heading east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated, but were unable to make visual or radar contact. Contact was lost 2 kilometres south of Bosanska Dubica. At 10.00Z UNPROFOR personnel observed a Gazelle helicopter with red crosses landing in Bosanska Dubica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	East Low Slow
1622	21 Apr	13.05	13.06	A Gazelle helicopter with red crosses was observed taking-off from Bosanska Dubica, heading west. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Taking-off then West Low Slow

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SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING SPEED ALT.
1623 1624	21 Apr	14.37	14.38	Two camouflaged Gazelle helicopters were observed taking-off from Bosanska Dubica, heading south. These unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Taking-off then south Low Slow
1625 1626	22 Apr	07.15	07.16	Two camouflaged Gazelle helicopters were observed landing at Bosanska Dubica from the south. These unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North Unknown Slow
1627 1628	22 Apr	08.25	08.26	Two camouflaged Gazelle helicopters were observed taking off from Bosanska Dubica flying to the east. These unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	East Unknown Slow
1629	22 Apr	11.42	11.43	A green Gazelle helicopter with red crosses was observed landing at Bosanska Dubica from the southeast. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northwest Unknown Slow
1630	22 Apr	10.35	10.50	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact on a white helicopter with a blue stripe 5 kilometres north of Visoko. The helicopter flew north and contact was lost 22 kilometres north of Visoko. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Northwest Unknown Slow
1631	22 Apr	11.50	12.13	AWACS made radar contact 40 kilometres east of Banja Luka. NATO fighter aircraft investigated, but were unable to make visual contact. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northeast Low Slow
				[23 Apr: no violations reported]	

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1632	24 Apr	10.03	10.13	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact on a white helicopter 20 kilometres southwest of Sarajevo, heading southeast. The fighter aircraft lost contact when the helicopter descended below the clouds. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Southeast 4000 ft 100 knots
1633	24 Apr	12.33	12.46	AWACS made radar contact 50 kilometres north of Posusje. Contact was lost when the track exited the No Fly Zone at 40 kilometres northwest of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest 9800 feet 160 knots
1634	24 Apr	09.13	14.40	The flight began as an approved MEDEVAC flight. It became a violation because unauthorized passengers were taken on board at Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Variable Low Slow